THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE V.V.S.RAO

WRIT PETITION NO.24009 OF 2005

15.11.2005

Between:

1. Smt. Ameena Qatoon, W/o.late Mohd, Abdul Gaffar
and others

… Petitioners

AND

1. The Joint Collector, Ranga Reddy District
and others

… Respondents

ORDER:

The petitioners claim to be persons interested in the land admeasuring Acs.22.37 gts., in survey No.81 of Damargidda village in Chevella revenue village of Ranga Reddy District. They claim such right through one Rasool Bee, W/o. Shaik Hussain. They approached the third respondent herein to make necessary changes in the Record of Rights (RoR), in vain. They preferred an appeal to the Revenue Divisional Officer, who by order dated 09.10.2003 remanded the matter to the Mandal Revenue Officer (MRO) whereupon by proceedings dated 28.2.2005, the MRO after giving notice to respondents 4 to 8 granted succession in favour of the contesting respondents and ordered incorporation of necessary entries in the RoR. This time, the petitioners preferred a revision petition under Section 9 of the A.P. Rights in Land and Pattadar Passbooks Act, 1971 (the Act). The District Revenue Officer (DRO), Ranga Reddy District issued a memo on 07.5.2005 advising the petitioners to approach the appropriate civil court for redressal purportedly on the ground that there is a title dispute over the said land. This memo is assailed in the writ petition *inter alia* on the ground that DRO is not competent to entertain the revision petition.

After obtaining necessary instructions from the respondents and also verifying the records, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue (General) submits that the DRO is not competent to entertain a revision petition under Section 9 of the Act. Therefore, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and also on the right of the petitioners or respondents 4 to 8 herein while setting aside the impugned order, the writ petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to pass appropriate orders in the revision petition submitted by the petitioners against the orders of the MRO dated 28.2.2005. Needless to point out that the first respondent shall issue notice to respondents 4 to 8 before passing any orders. This exercise may be completed within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of

this order.

The writ petition, with the above observations and directions, is disposed of. No costs.

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(**V.V.S.RAO, J**)

November 15, 2005.

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